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In 1883, the designer of New York City's Cen-

broperty was popularly known.

Belle Isle (beautiful island) by which the too high. They elected to retain the name position of those who thought the price was island in 1879 for \$200,000, against the op-

Detroit's city fathers purchased the 983-acre bassador Bridge. Detroit, Canada, freighter traffic and the Amnaterway and provides spectacular views of island is situated on America's busiest inland nect all of Belle Isle's points of interest. The

miles of trails, paths and roadways that concar or take a leisurely walk along the many Once on the island, you may get around by

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### SCENIC ONER 2 WILES OF Land's first wooden bridge. 1889, visitors could enjoy the park via the ismaster plan for Belle Isle's transformation. By

### LARGEST CITY-OWNED ISLAND PARK **AMERICA'S**

the National Register of Historic Places.

Fisher buildings.

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after General Douglas MacArthur. It is listed on

ed in 1986. In 1942, the bridge was renamed

1923 and a meticulous renovation was complet-

to Belle Isle today was originally constructed in

The nearly half-mile long bridge that takes you

was also selected for the General Motors and

Lighthouse were designed by Albert Kahn, who

ium, Whitcomb Conservatory, and Livingstone

Between 1903 and 1930, the Casino, the Aquar-

the design of the U.S. Supreme Court Building

tion. Among Gilbert's other achievements was over 93 other entries in a nationwide competisign for the mammoth Scott Fountain, chosen Olmstead also helped select Cass Gilbert's de-

# MORE TO SEE AND DO

Giant floral clock entryway / Giant slide / 200-acre woodlands / Fishing piers and bulkheads / Bicycle and nature trails / Food concessions at Athletic Shelter and Kid's Row / Handball/racquetball/basketball courts

/ Chip-N-Putt Family Golf Center / Driving range/ putting greens / Nine baseball diamonds / Ten lighted tennis courts / Cinder running track / Half-mile swimming beach / Paddleboats / Historical monuments / Picnic shelters / Water slide at beach / World Cup Soccer Field / Kid's Row / Peace and guiet IN WINTER: Sledding / Plenty of ducks / The Conservatory is open year-round.

## SOMETHING FOR

Whether your interests lie in nature, physical fitness, history, architecture, botany, athletics or marine life, you'll make fascinating new discoveries on Belle Isle. Come alone or bring your whole group...there's definitely something for everyone.

Admission and most of the park's attractions are free.

# VISIT US SOON

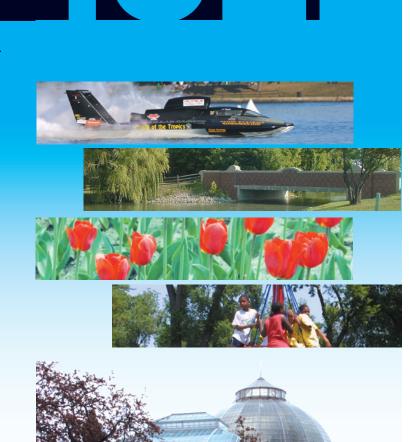
We'd like the chance to make Belle Isle your most pleasant memory of our city.





**City of Detroit** 

For more information regarding the park, please call (313) 628-2081



CONSERVATORY

# Detroit's Island Gem

Spend an Hour / Spend a Day!
No visit to Detroit is too short to enjoy the splendor of historic Belle Isle, the crown jewel of Detroit's public park system. Located close to the hub of downtown, travel time to Belle Isle by car or bus is about five minutes.



1 / Nancy Brown Peace Tower

2 / The Casino

3 / Flynn Skating Pavilion

4 / Chip-N-Putt & Practice Facility

5 / Scott Memorial Fountain

6 / Anna Scripps Whitcomb Conservatory

7 / Kid's Row

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## Nancy Brown Peace Tower (Carillon Tower)

85-foot carillon tower dedicated to the newspaper columnist who raised most of the building fund from readers.

> **Computer Automated Performances**

### **Chip-N-Putt and Practice Facility**

the-art practice facility with a short putting course and mini-course or visit our Chip-N-Putt Family Golf Center where you can play and learn the game of golf in a fun family environment.



### **Scott Memorial Fountain**

A shrewd investor, James Scott bequeathed his entire fortune for this huge, carved, white marble fountain. Worth every penny. Colored light and water shows presented from dusk until 11 p.m.

> Fountain operated Daily, Memorial Day - Late Sept.

### The Casino

Wonderful rental facility: Come and enjoy the beautiful architecture and great scenery. Whether you are hosting a wedding reception, baby shower or business meeting, your event will be memorable. Year-round rental.

(313) 628-2069



### Kids' Row

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Calling all Kids! Kids' Row is a magical place that includes a half-acre complex of brightly colored play areas for children 12 and under and a brand new Giant Slide. Nestled inbetween is a new family-friendly comfort station with concession stand. The Kids' Kingdom includes slides, climbing surfaces, animal sculptures and even a space capsule merry-go-round.



### Flynn Pavilion

Thanks to a grant from the Urban Parks and Recreation Recovery Program of the National Park Service, Belle Isle's Flynn Pavilion is totally restored. Visitors are able to rent paddleboats in the summer and enjoy Lake Takoma.

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### Anna Scripps Whitcomb Conservatory

Patterned after Thomas Jefferson's Monitcello, permanent displays of cacti, ferns, palms and one of the largest collections of orchids in the country.

> Available for Weddings 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Daily, Including Holidays



